

REASONS

FOR

Making the Duties Easie upon the Trade to AFRICA.

Goods of English Manufacture, proper for the Trade to Africa.

	The first Cost.	The Kings Duties.	The Comp. Duty of 10 l. per Ce.
	l. s. d.	l. s. d.	l. s. d.
Serges, called Perpetuanaes, wa. about 7 l. a piece —	1:0:0	0:0:5	0:2:0
Sayes, wa. 11 l. a piece —	2:0:0	0:0:8	0:4:0
Welch plains 100 Goads —	8:10:0	0:2:6	0:17:0
Scarlet Cloath the piece —	12:0:0	0:3:4	1:4:0
Bayes Colchester —	4:10:0	0:3:0	0:9:0
Darnex the piece, conta. 40 Yards —	2:0:0	0:1:6	0:4:0
Anabusses Cotton pieces —	0:1:10	—	0:0:2
Tin, Vocat. Pewer, the Hundred —	4:10:0	0:2:0	0:9:0
Wrought Lead the hundred —	0:15:0	0:1:0	0:1:6

Sundry Sorts of Wrought Iron.

Knives the Groce, wa. 28 l. —	1:10:0	0:0:1 $\frac{1}{2}$	0:3:0
Large Scissars, the Groce, wa. 21 l. —	1:4:0	0:0:1 $\frac{1}{2}$	0:2:5
Muskets, wa. 7 l. a piece —	0:14:0	0:0:0: $\frac{3}{4}$	0:1:5
Pistols the pair, wa. 7 l. —	1:0:0	0:0:0: $\frac{3}{4}$	0:2:0

All finer Manufactures of Iron, the Value is much more, but the Custom to the King is the same.

Wrought Brass the hundred —	8:10:0	0:0:10	0:17:0
Aqua Vitæ, the Hogshead —	8:0:0	0:2:0	0:16:0
Tobacco Pipes, the small Groce, conta. 12 Doz. —	1:0:0	0:0:0: $\frac{1}{2}$	0:2:0

BY what is above, it appears, that the *Duty* of 10 l. per *Cent.* to be paid the *African Company* upon the *Exportations*, is upon several *Commodities* 5 or 6 times, and upon some 10 or 12 times as much as the *Duties* paid to the *King*, upon the *Exportation* of the same *Commodities*: It is very remarkable, that almost all the *Burthen* of this great *Duty* will fall upon the *Product* or *Manufactures* of *England*, (there being so great a Proportion of them used in the *African Trade*) which must of necessity be a great *Discouragement* to that *Trade*, and very much lessen the *Exportation* of such *Goods*, which will certainly lower the *Prizes* at *Home*, and be a great *Prejudice* to those many *Thousands* of *People* in *England*, whose whole *Employment* and *Subsistence* is by such *Manufactures*; and how *reasonable* it is to bring all these *Inconveniences* upon so great a part of the *People* and *Trade* of the *Nation*, only for the sake of the *African Company*, is *Humbly submitted* — Especially, since 'tis plain by undenialable *Demonstration*, that less than half those *Duties* will answer all the *Ends* they propose; and the private *Traders* are so well assured of this, that they still adhere to what they formerly Offered, which was to Undertake the *Maintenance* and *Support* of the *Forts* and *Castles*, for a *Duty* of 5 l. per *Cent.* on the *Export only*.

Note. The Duty designed being for Maintenance of Forts and Castles, it is Humbly hoped, may not extend to Comprehend those places, where no Forts nor Castles are; viz. from River Vultus to Cape Good-Hope, the Duty on said places will fall extreamly heavy on the Plantations only.

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